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SUBJ: PAF BRIEFING ON REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT

REF ISLAMABAD 12451

WE WERE PUZZLED BY PAK ASSESSMENT (PARA 4 REFTTEL)
THAT AFGHAN AIR FORCE MIGHT BE ABLE TO LAUNCH 200
SORTIES EVERY DAY AGAINST PAKISTAN. KABUL DATT DID
CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF THIS POSSIBILITY, CABLED TO USDAO/
ISLAMABAD AND DIA/WASHINGTON UNDER HIGHER CLASSIFICA-
TION. GIST OF THIS ANALYSIS IS THAT PAK ESTIMATE
REPRESENTS "WORST CASE ANALYSIS" OF AFGHAN CAPACITY
AND THAT A MORE REALISTIC AFGHAN SORTIE RATE WOULD
BE ON THE ORDER OF 75 TO 100 PER DAY, ASSUMING SOME
TURN-AROUND CAPABILITY. EVEN THIS ESTIMATE, HOWEVER,
MAY BE LARGE.
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